

**HULMEVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**June 4, 2012**

The regular monthly meeting of the Hulmeville Borough Council was held on the above date at the Borough Hall, 321 Main Street.

**Councilmember's & Mayor Present:** Thomas Wheeler: President, Raymond Johnson; Vice President, Judy Coleman, Nick Lodise, Frank Lewis, Debbie Mahon, Dan Mandolesi and Mayor Harris.

**Councilmember's Absent:** None

**Other's in Attendance:** Solicitor Robert DeBias, Police Chief Tom Walton, Treasure Diane McKairnes, Historical Society Chairperson Marce Heald, Authority Manager Roberta Turner, Sewer Clerk Pat Slater, Fire Marshall Bill Wheeler and Secretary Patricia Boyle.

**Guests in Attendance:** Ron Robins, Betty Hird, Sharon Harger, and Rich Kohler

**Call to Order:** Mr. Wheeler called the meeting to order at 7:40 pm; all those present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes:** A motion was duly made by Mr. Mandolesi seconded by Mr. Lodise and carried unanimously, to approve the minutes of May 7, 2012 and May 15, 2012.

**Police Report:** Mr. Johnson reviewed the Police Report of May 2012: 11 Incidents, 4 Traffic, 5 Parking, 2 Accidents, 0 Assists, 5 Summary, 0 Criminal, 8 District Court, 1 County Court and 0 EMS Call; 188 total hours worked; for a combined salary \$3,658.66.

- Chief Walton noted that the officers participated in the Memorial Day Parade, Wood Services Parade and Main Event in Penndel.

**Public Comment:**

- Pat Slater noted that there is a damaged pole with hanging wires behind the soccer fields; Mr. Lewis will follow up with the Soccer Club.
- Sharon Harger (8 Water St. TMP#16-3-42) presented Mr. Lewis with plans to build an above ground pool. Mrs. Harger also questioned whether it is permissible for ice cream delivery trucks to come through the Borough and if they would be required to get a solicitation permit; she would like to invite them into Hulmeville; no permit required.
- Ms. Hird (6 Main Street) noted that there is a pothole in front of 6 Main Street; Mr. Lewis will follow up. She also asked for a shield to be installed on the street light outside of 3 Main Street as the light is extremely bright; Mr. Lodise will follow up with Armour & Sons.

#### **Authority:**

- Ms. Turner noted that the meters were not read for approximately 2 weeks as she was on vacation and there was a miscommunication with Mr. Wheeler to follow up with the readings. She contacted the DEP and was advised to conduct daily readings to augment the missed readings.
- Mrs. Mahon asked for a motion to authorize the Authority to pursue proposals for the possible sale of the water and sewer systems; **A motion was duly made by Mr. Johnson seconded by Mr. Lodise and carried unanimously to authorize Mrs. Mahon to contact water/sewer companies for proposals for the sale of the water & sewer systems.**

**Fire Marshall:** Mr. Bill Wheeler noted that almost all the issues with respect to Johnson's Hall (Cubernet TMP#16-1-82) have been addressed. He also assisted Penndel Borough with the "Main Event".

**Emergency Management:** Mr. Bill Wheeler noted that the newly updated and ratified Emergency Management Plan will again need to be revised in the near future.

#### **Boro Property:**

- Mr. Mandolesi noted that the air conditioning unit to apartment A needed repairs.

#### **Streets:**

- Mr. Lewis noted that Iron Horse has replaced 36 signs and painted all cross walks and stop bars.

#### **Solicitor Report:**

- Mr. DeBias noted that the Zoning Ordinance of 2012 will be advertised for adoption two times prior to consideration to adopt the ordinance at the July 2, 2012 general meeting.
- Mr. DeBias advised that the Police Mutual Aid Agreement has been reviewed and considered acceptable by the Borough's insurance carrier, Selective Insurance. Mr. DeBias will confirm with the other boroughs that Hulmeville Borough is in agreement.
- Mr. DeBias received a letter from Allstate Insurance Co. (dated 5/17/2012) in reference to 933 Bellevue Ave/ Woodruff (TMP#16-1-49-3) and escrow proceeds from damages after a recent fire at the property. According to the letter, because the loss equaled 26% of the aggregate policy limits of liability, an escrow payment to the Borough is not warranted on this claim.

#### **Mayors Report:**

- Mayor Harris recently attended a course regarding rental property inspections and recommended that Council consider adoption of such a program to help protect the Borough and property owners from degradation of properties. Mr. DeBias was asked to review the material prior to presentation to Council.

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**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer's Report of June 4, 2012 was made available for inspection:

- **General Fund Checking** Balance as of May 1, 2012: \$ 23,527.68  
Expenses Totaled: - \$ 25,699.15  
Income Totaled: \$127,997.37  
General Fund Checking Balance as of May 31, 2012: **\$125,825.90**
  
- **Sewer Fund Checking** Balance as of May 1, 2012: \$ 130,304.66  
Expenses Totaled: - \$ 17,195.43  
Income Totaled: \$ 11,004.04  
Sewer Fund Checking Balance as of May 31, 2012: **\$ 124,113.27**
  
- **Sewer Fund PLGIT** Balance as of April 1, 2012: \$360,500.75  
Interest/ April \$ 13.23  
Sewer Fund PLGIT Balance as of April 30, 2012: **\$360,513.98**
  
- **Highway Aid PLGIT** Balance as of April 1, 2012: \$ 36,667.06  
Interest/April \$ 1.34  
Expenses Totaled: -\$ 17.96  
Highway Aid PLGIT Balance as of April 30, 2012: **\$ 36,650.44**
  
- **General Fund PLGIT** Balance as of April 1, 2012: **\$ 36,715.48**  
Interest/April: \$ 1.34  
Expenses Totaled: -\$ 350.00  
General Fund PLGIT Balance as of April 30, 2012: **\$ 36,366.82**

**Bills:** A copy of the bill list dated May 7, 2012 was provided to Council and offered for review by the public:

- **General Fund** beginning balance as of June 1, 2012: \$ 124,689.32  
ending balance as of June 5, 2012: \$ 127,243.03
  
- **Sewer & Water** beginning balance as of June 1, 2012: \$ 123,856.74  
ending balance as of June 8, 2012: \$ 100,950.76
  
- **Highway Aid** beginning balance as of May 7, 2012: \$ 36,624.40  
ending balance as of May 7, 2012: \$ 36,624.40

**A motion was duly made by Mr. Mandolesi seconded by Mr. Lodise and carried unanimously to approve the bill list dated June 4, 2012 with the following additions: General Fund: Lowe's \$154.87, PECO \$779.50, Allied Waste \$8613.31, Pickering, Corts & Summerson \$700.00, Davidheiser \$39.00, Postmaster \$45.00. Highway Aid: PECO \$22.94.**

**Communications:**

- May 24, 2012; Liquid Fuels Tax Fund Audit report for the two years ended December 31, 2010.
- 2012 Super Nova Award: Letter of congratulations from the Hulmeville Borough Historical Society to Council in recognition of them being awarded the 2012 Super Nova Award.

**New Business:** Mrs. Mahon was advised by FEMA that they will not help with the dissemination of information to residents relative to the new flood rate maps. However, the Bucks County Planning Commission will be able to assist; Mr. DeBias will contact Matt Walters with the department.

**Zoning:** It was noted that there have been complaints received relative to excessive noise from the Neshaminy Shore Picnic Park (TMP#16-1-006); Mayor Harris will speak with the owner. Mr. Lewis noted that the PA State Ethics Commission has indicated that they will provide a decision (June 11 or June 18) relative to his request for an opinion, as to whether he may continue as Zoning Officer while serving as a Councilmember.

**2013 RDA Grants:** Mr. Wheeler asked members to present their ideas for grant requests at the next meeting. Some ideas that members had were rebuilding the Main Street Bridge and repairs to the wall in front of the Borough Hall.

Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 9:00 to discuss litigation matters.

There being no further official business the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm; motion made by Mr. Lodise seconded by Mrs. Mahon.

Respectfully Submitted

Tricia Boyle  
Hulmeville Borough Secretary